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Subject: DON'T SELL OUT!

Dear Renata Hesse, Trial Attorney:

I'm a 55 year old CPA, whose first computer course was Fortran II (in the Jurrassic days of punch cards), former IRS agent, MS in Taxation, and writer. I've used every MS o/s system except CP, which I will never use. I currently have two systems at home, both I built myself. My husband's has Me and mine 2000. I've watched how intrusive MS has become, with the last bit of arrogance being the inclusion of IE and Outlook in both OS system. I don't want to IE or Outlook Express, nor do I want MS deciding what I have on MY desktop. I use Lotus Smartsuite, Opera 5.1 as a browser; however at times, I'm forced to use IE, especially when downloading MS updates. One of the tricks I especially dislike is the rerouting of URL's to MSN affiliates. Also they deliberately include code which negates the use of non-MS equipment. For example, I use a Logitech TrackMan mouse. When I loaded SP 2 for Win 2000, mainly to obtain antiSirCam virus protection, my system crashed. I later discovered from a John Dorvak (sp) column that SP2 isn't compatible with Logitech Trackman. No where in the MS literature is that mentioned. I got my system running again, without SP2. These are only a few examples of why the DOJ needs to pursue MS. Sincerely, Sherry Stigge CPA 720 Dawn Way Gilroy, CA 408 848 4158.